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1. The Soviet authorities have agreed to furnish the Polish iron industries in Gliwice (Gleiwitz) (Y37), Bytom (Beuthen) (Y58), Katowice (Y57) and Tarnowskie Gory (Y49) with scrap iron from their dismantlings in the Russian Zone of Germany. Transactions will be handled through a special scrap dismantling program (Schrottaktion) in the Russian Zone, and deliveries will be made via Szczecin (Stettin) and the Odra River waterway. In return, Poland has agreed to supply the Russian Zone of Germany with hard coal.
2. While the foundries in this area have easy access to hard coal, they have long been dependent on iron ore importations from Sweden and North Africa. Since these sources are no longer available, they must now rely almost entirely on the use of scrap.
3. The following important Upper Silesian works were dismantled by the Soviets in 1945:
 - a) Vereinigte Oberschlesische Hüttenwerke (Graf Ballstream), Rohstoffwerk Julienhütte, near Bytom. Dismantled completely except for coke works.
 - b) Walzwerke Herminehütte, near Gliwice. Completely dismantled.
 - c) Walz- und Hammerwerk Andreashütte, near Gliwice. Partially dismantled.
 - d) Drahtwerke Gliwice. More than 2,000 nail-making machines were dismantled and taken to the USSR. The plant director, Stubler, was also deported to the USSR and died there.
 - e) Stahlrohrwerk Gliwice. Completely dismantled. Formerly produced 3,000 tons of steel pipes per month.

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